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## EDITORIAL NOTES.

We have made a contract with that most brilliant monthly, the "Cosmopolitan Magazine," which gives in a year 1,536 pages of reading matter by some of the ablest authors of the world, with over 1,300 illustrations by clever artists, whereby we can offer it for a year and our own magazine for a year-both for only \$3.00, the price of the "Cosmopolitan" alone.

THE Rev. J. W. Hicks has been elected by the Clergy and lay representatives of the diocese Bishop of Bloemfontein, Africa, in succession to Dr. Knight-Bruce, now Bishop of Mashonaland. Dr. Hicks has telegraphed his acceptance of the bishopric.

THE Rev. J. Gough Brick is in pressing need of \$400 to enlarge his buildings for school work. He writes from Kitawasin ("Beautiful Location") Indian School, Peace River. He gives a detailed statement of moneys received by him from various places and persons in Ontario and Montreal, amounting to \$1,047.93, less \$81.60 received from England, and \$132.50 sale of farm produce. This amount went chiefly in wages to farm workers, improvements, outfit and stipend, the last item amounting only to \$91.17.

THE death of the Rev. C. H. Spurgeon was certainly one of the noteworthy events of the month. Few men were as widely known as this great preacher of the metropolis, and his place in the huge tabernacle where, with comparative ease, he addressed twice every Sunday some six or seven thousand people, will be difficult to fill. In his early days he had many hard things to say against the established Church of England, but his views in that respect were much modified towards the close of his life.

THE question as to what is eventually to become of the world is sometimes asked with some anxiety. In the "Proceedings of the Royal Geographical Society," a writer states that the world, if brought fully into cultivation, can supply 5,904 millions of human beings with food and other necessaries and no more; and shows, that at the ordinary rate of increase, the 1,468 millions of the present time will become 5,994 millions in one hundred and eightytwo years, not a very long period of history when we consider that William III. and Mary were then upon the Throne of Great Britain. And the question naturally arises, what will happen then?

THE Bishop of Exeter (Dr. Bickersteth) says that the combination of the English and American Churches in Japan, forming what is called "the Church in Japan," will accomplish much for Christianity there, and his son, who is the Bishop in Japan, is calling out for fifty more labourers. The Rev. J. G. Waller has been working hard in his mission station at Fukushima, but only reports two haptisms for the nine months ending January the 5th. Mrs. Waller has a class learning knitting, crocheting, etc., the lessons being accompanied by a Christian story or Bible reading. Rev. J. Cooper Robinson is about to begin a home for the aged and destitute of Nagoya and neighbourhood, and appeals urgently for assistance in the good work.

THE Convention of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew in Canada, held in Toronto on February 12th, 13th and 14th, was in many ways a remarkable gathering. Some two hundred laymen assembled from all parts of Canada, met together to discuss matters connected with the sole object of the Brotherhood, viz: the spread of Christ's Kingdom among young men.

A GREAT amount of good must come to the Church in Canada as a result of this convention. The enthusiasm shown by the members of the Brotherhood and the success of its methods, show us that a movement has been started, which, if the order is but true to its principles, will be a great tower of strength to our Holy Religion.

THE question of how to reach young men has long been puzzling the brains of our clergy, and now the young men have taken it up themselves and find out that the way to reach them is to go after them, and with their two simple rules of daily prayer and weekly service, the Brothers of St. Andrew may accomplish wonders for Christ's Church.